**1** Complete the sentences with the correct word. Write one word in each gap.

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| **1** Ali used to live in Berlin, so we should reach \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to him for some recommendations. |
| **2** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is important to remember that we all make mistakes sometimes. |
| **3** She believes that her performance in this job will make or \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ her career. |
| **4** Did you do your homework while watching TV? Your answers were all \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the place! |
| **5** Do you think you’ll still \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ living here in twenty years’ time? |
| **6** Danielle is quite difficult to talk to, isn’t she? What did you say to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the ice? |
| **7** I think he’s the director \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that film we both hated! |
| **8** Johan found out that his new colleague is a friend of his cousin. It’s a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ world! |

**2** Complete the sentences with the correct form of the word(s) in brackets.

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| **1** When you give a presentation, do you worry about \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (ask) difficult questions? |
| **2** I think you need to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (emphasis) your customer service experience on your CV. |
| **3** My brother is totally \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (obsess) with his new phone! |
| **4** There’s an active community \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (associate) in my grandmother’s neighbourhood. |
| **5** You can send messages from the app or from your internet \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (browse). |
| **6** Painting this room in a lighter colour should really \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (bright) it up. |
| **7** How long will you \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (work) on the website by the time it launches? |
| **8** The restaurant got \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (take) over and the food is much better now. |

**3** Choose the correct option to complete the sentences.

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| **1** Your details will be stored on a secure *software* / *broadband* / *database* for twelve months. |
| **2** She was a bit anxious because she *was planning* / *planned* / *will be planning* to quit her job the next day. |
| **3** I asked Kathryn if she wanted a lift home, but she *didn’t* / *not wanted* / *didn’t want*. |
| **4** We thought the article oversimplified things. These issues are rarely black *or* / *but* / *and* white. |
| **5** Please could you *plug out* / *unplug* / *log out* my charger from the socket by your chair? |
| **6** You must look after Scott’s bike, *or* / *so* / *and* he won’t let you borrow it again. |
| **7** The quality of these talks has really *exaggerated* / *anticipated* / *deteriorated* in recent years. |
| **8** My daughter used to think *this* / *the* / *a* world of her primary school teacher. |
| **9** I’d like to buy a small present *send* / *sending* / *to send* to my friend, Rebecca. |
| **10** Published last year, this book, which has won two awards, *is* / *were* / *are* the bestselling guide to Athens. |

**4** Rewrite the sentences as reported statements.

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| **1** How many tickets did you reserve?  They asked me \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| **2** I might go for a run after work.  Heather said she \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| **3** Please take some food home with you.  Our friends begged us \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| **4** Have a copy of your passport with you.  She advised that he \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |

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**5** There are twenty words in the box. Complete the text with fifteen of the words. There are five words that you do not need to use.

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The Edible Cinema experience

Personally, I can’t **1**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ hearing other people eat while I’m watching something in the cinema. **2**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, the idea of Edible Cinema, which aims to enhance the experience of seeing a film by getting you to eat special snacks at certain points while you watch **3**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, didn’t really **4**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to me. For example, if a scene in the film takes **5** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ by the sea, you might eat something which tastes salty. My boyfriend and I asked ourselves **6**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ this would increase our enjoyment of a film. We didn’t think **7**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, but we decided to go to an Edible Cinema screening in **8**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to find out. We agreed to see the classic Japanese animation *Spirited Away* as it’s **9**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of my favourites.

On your seat in the cinema, you find a tray containing a series of numbered boxes. During the film, you have to keep your eye on a box next to the main screen – a number appears on it to **10**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ which box you should open and when. At first, I found this really distracting, but bit **11**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ bit I got used to it. The experience had its highs **12**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ lows – some of the snacks were delicious and really added to the emotions and events of the film, but others were pretty **13**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. As such, I don’t have a strong **14**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to go again, but I did enjoy the experience. If you’re thinking of going, it might be **15**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ having a light meal beforehand as the snacks inside the boxes are fairly small.

**6** Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs in brackets.

Your next adventure?

These days, you can work **1**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (remote) from almost anywhere, and many digital nomads **2**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (do) just that. However, despite **3**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (sound) like a carefree existence, living and working in several different places actually involves a fair amount of planning. Before moving to a new place, it would be **4** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (advise) to do plenty of research into those **5**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (amaze) destinations and think carefully about the practical aspects of your trip.

If it’s your goal **6**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (combine) work with travel but you’re terrible at organizing things, you can now have the details of your remote working trip **7**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (arrange) by someone else. Remote Year is one of a number of companies that can help you to plan this kind of trip – they have supported over 1,000 digital nomads since their launch in 2015. They offer trips **8**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (last) either four or twelve months – by the end of their year-long programme, you **9**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (spend) time in twelve different cities around the world!

The company says that their programmes **10**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (offer) an unforgettable experience, which you’ll share with a group of **11**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (true) amazing individuals. **12**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (like) other travel agencies, Remote Year organizes events to help you get to know your fellow travellers, as well as arranging your accommodation and access to an office space. **13**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (consequence), you’ll soon bond with them and feel a real sense of **14**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (belong) during your trip. What’s more, **15**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (inspire) by your new community and the incredible places you’re visiting will help you to gain new ideas and develop as a person. So, what are you waiting for?

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This is what it feels like to spend several months on ‘Mars’

Can you imagine what it would feel like to breathe fresh air for the first time in eight months? That’s the feeling Debra Johnson experienced when she completed her work on the HI-SEAS project, a NASA-funded experiment which has been exploring what it might be like for humans to live on the planet Mars for an extended period of time.

HI-SEAS is an example of an ‘analogue mission’. This is a project which takes place on Earth but which aims to reflect as closely as possible the conditions that humans would experience if they were in space. These missions allow researchers to explore things like diet, teamwork and the ideal crew size. Debra’s mission took place inside a special building, positioned in an isolated location on the slopes of a volcano in Hawaii. Debra and her fellow crew members were not allowed to exit the building unless they were wearing space suits.

They also had no live communications with other people, since on a real mission, radio communications from Earth would take around twenty minutes to reach Mars. Debra said this was a challenge, as she wasn’t able to call her family. It also caused difficulties when there were technical issues inside the HI-SEAS building. Debra was responsible for IT systems during the experiment and found that the communications delay meant that network or software problems took much longer to fix.

In addition to her role as an IT specialist, Debra had to carry out chores and complete tasks that were related to the research aspects of the HI-SEAS project. For example, the crew members had to complete surveys which monitored their stress levels as well as how effectively they were working together. Debra felt that she and the other participants managed to build a strong and close-knit team, partly because they came together frequently to discuss things that were bothering them. They also made time to socialize together, either watching films or playing board games. According to Debra, this was particularly important in the last few weeks of the mission.

There were a few surprising things about the experience. Debra found that she didn’t miss being outside or eating fresh food as much as she had anticipated. Debra isn’t sure what she will do now that the mission has ended, but she feels proud to have made a contribution to the future of space travel.

**7** Read the text. Are the sentences true (T), false (F), or is there not enough information to decide (N)? Write T, F or N in the box.

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| **1** The HI-SEAS project was paid for by the American space agency, NASA. |  |
| **2** Debra’s mission aimed to identify what was the best crew size for a real mission to Mars. |  |
| **3** The HI-SEAS building was positioned in a location whose landscape is similar to Mars. |  |
| **4** Debra had to wear a space suit whenever she left the HI-SEAS building. |  |
| **5** Debra found it easy to keep in touch with her relatives during the mission. |  |
| **6** It was harder to resolve IT issues during the mission due to the communications delay. |  |
| **7** Debra had a number of different jobs and responsibilities during the mission. |  |
| **8** During the mission, the crew members had regular meetings to discuss their feelings. |  |
| **9** Debra was surprised that she missed spending time outdoors as much as she did. |  |
| **10** Debra may continue working on space travel projects in the future. |  |

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